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1 The planned production of sulphuric acid in the Russian Zone for January 1949 is given below (in tons of SO_3).

VVB Alcid Werk Oranienburg	760
VVB Kunstfaser Werk Agfa-Seide, Döberitz	1,100
VVB Alcid Werk Salzwedel	-
VVB Alcid Werk Coswig	2,330
VVB Organa Magdeburg-Süd	1,500
VVB Mansfeld Werk Hettstedt	930
SAG Farbenfabrik Wolfen	1,600
SAG Leuna	-
VVB Alcid Werk Weissig, Grossenhain	1,500
F. Winter, Fährbrücke	365
VVB Bergbau Werk Muldenhütten	65
VVB Bergbau Werk Halsbrücke	-
SAG Benzin-Werk Böhlen	-
VVB Kunstfaser Werk Schwarza	1,200
VVB Alcid Werk Heinrichshall	800
Kali-Chemie Werk, Berlin-Nieder-Schöneweide	600
	12,750

2 The sulphuric acid is to be allocated as follows (in tons of SO_3):

Zonal-controlled firms, chemical industry	1,372
Zonal-controlled firms, phosphate industry	2,550
Light industry (cellulose and paper)	2,674
SAG industries	5,335
Miscellaneous industrial and business uses	1,494
Total	13,405

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3. The planned production of sulphuric acid for January 1949 is 30 percent lower than the planned production for December 1948. This does not necessarily mean that there will be a decrease in the production of sulphuric acid, but rather that the DWK has finally realized that the previous quotas were impossibly high.

4. Major repairs still have to be undertaken in most of the plants before any increase in production can be expected. The sulphuric acid plant at Salzwedel has not been completed; some motors and pumps are still needed, and now even iron construction has had to be halted because of shortages of screws, bolts, etc. The DWK has not been able to provide the necessary equipment; at the present time the purchasing agent for the plant is trying to buy it in the British Zone, and will attempt to smuggle it across the border. The reconstruction of the Lurgi furnaces at the Alcid Werk Heinrichshall is progressing very slowly, and even after the parts are all received from Lurgi, some parts like a special ball-bearing gear will have to be obtained from Bizonia.

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